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28 January 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with (Professor) Juchas BRAZAITIS

1. The following information furnished by Professor BRAZAITIS in my meeting with him in New York City, New York, on 25 January 1955, was omitted from the original report of that meeting:

2. Professor BRAZAITIS recently received a letter from Zenonius IVINSKIS, an associate doing research work at the Vatican archives. The letter states that German officials have inquired of IVINSKIS as to whether BRAZAITIS would be willing to return to Germany and live there in the event the German Government provided the necessary financial support.

3. BRAZAITIS explained that IVINSKIS and (fmu) MACEIMA are the Lithuanian representatives on an unofficial panel of Baltic intellectuals BRAZAITIS organized in 1948 under the sponsorship of the German Government. The original purpose of this panel is to act as a study group of Baltic cultural matters. BRAZAITIS believes that the German officials now want to organize formally the Balts in order to have more influence as far as cultural matters are concerned. He says that the panel mentioned above was established with the intention of later expanding it into such a formal organization and that this expansion now appears to be taking place.

4. BRAZAITIS said he has no interest in working under the blessing of the Germans and that he would probably refuse any proposal if it were tendered to him in the future by the Bonn Government.

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